

# SR 17, Pioneer Way to Stratford Road

## Freight Mobility Corridor

This project will expand from two to four lanes a 3-mile segment of SR 17, which currently is the only two-lane segment between I-90 and the Grant County International Airport. The project is particularly important to improve highway service for freight haulers and shippers. There are 900 acres of industrial property located at the airport, three miles north of the project and 350 additional acres of industrial property located just east of the project in the Wheeler Industrial Corridor. Significant growth is occurring in these areas. The project will reduce shipping time and improve access for freight, while also assuring a safer highway for everyone who uses it.

Expanding this segment of SR 17 to four lanes was recommended in a 1997 study. The project will cross major intersections at Nelson, Wheeler and Broadway in Moses Lake, as well as a railroad crossing near Stratford Road. A new bridge will also be constructed across Parker Horn of Moses Lake.

## The end results

This project will reduce congestion, and expand and enhance freight mobility to support the economic growth occurring in the area.

## What have we done so far?

An Open House was held in May of 2001. Design and access hearings are scheduled for the winter of 2001. The design is on track for a construction start in 2004. At this time the construction for this project is unfunded and subject to legislative action.

## Government-to-government tribal consultation process

This process is not applicable because the project does not impact tribal lands.

A current view of the SR 17 looking north from Nelson Road. Notice the residential area to the left of the SR 17.



The same section as it would look after improvement. Notice the sound wall between the homes and SR 17.



A map of Moses Lake showing the proposed improvement location.



## What is being done to protect the environment?

To minimize project impacts, we will be constructing a noise wall between Nelson and Wheeler Road. This will help protect about 50 homes, a school and a park from highway noise.

There are hazard waste locations within the limits of the improvement. These will be cleaned up in accordance with state and federal requirements before the roadway is completed. A wetland area is adjacent to the proposed improvement. By the use of wetland banking and improving an existing stream, a fish friendly environment will be created.  
Project Financial Information

The estimated total cost for the project is \$16.9 million. The legislature has appropriated \$2.2 million to complete the design and right of way phases. The \$14.7 million needed for the construction phase is currently not appropriated by the legislature. This amount is necessary to support current WSDOT schedule for completion of construction by 2005.

## Expenditure Plan

	Prior Expenditures	Remaining Costs	Total
State Funds	\$861,000	\$1,385,000	\$2,246,000
Unfunded amount		\$14,745,000	\$14,745,000
Total Cost	\$861,000	\$16,130,000	\$16,991,000

## Project Facts

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- Add additional lanes and one additional bridge.
- All of the construction remains unfunded.

## How can I get more information?

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